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SUBJECT: POMPIDOU'S CALL FOR EC SUMMIT  
MEETINGS

REF: (A) PARIS 28215, (B) BONN 15856, (C) PARIS 28416

1. FONOFF IS PRESENTLY ACCORDING INTENSIVE ATTENTION TO  
POMPIDOU'S LETTER CALLING FOR EC SUMMIT MEETINGS AND  
TO DANISH PRIME MINISTER JOERGENSEN'S SUGGESTION THAT  
EC-9 HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT MEET DEC 15-16 IN  
COPENHAGEN. RELIABLE FONOFF SOURCE TELLS US BONN  
CONSIDERS POMPIDOU'S IDEA OF "CRISIS MANAGEMENT  
PROCEDURE" TO BE A GOOD WAY TO STRENGTHEN THE  
DAVIGNON-I REPORT. HOWEVER, OUR SOURCE SAID THE FONOFF  
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IS VERY CAREFULLY EXAMINING THREE POSSIBLE PROBLEM

AREAS CONNECTED WITH THE SUGGESTION FOR EC  
SUMMIT MEETINGS.

2. OUR SOURCE SAID THE FRG HAS ALWAYS FAVORED MORE  
FREQUENT SUMMIT MEETINGS BUT IS CAREFULLY EXAMINING  
WHETHER SUMMITS SHOULD BE INSTITUTIONALIZED  
AS POMPIDOU SUGGESTED AND HOW RIGIDLY RULES SHOULD BE  
PRESCRIBED FOR THE CALLING OF SUCH MEETINGS. THE  
CURRENT FRG INCLINATION IS THAT THIS SHOULD NOT BE  
OVERDONE AS IT COULD UPSET THE CURRENT FRAGILE NATURE  
OF THE EUROPEAN STRUCTURE.

3. THE FRG ALSO TENDS TO DISAGREE WITH THE IDEA OF  
RESTRICTING SUCH EC SUMMITS TO FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS.  
AS A SUMMIT WOULD BE THE HIGHEST FORM OF EC CONSULTA-  
TIONS, BONN TENDS TO THINK SUCH MEETINGS SHOULD COVER  
THE ENTIRE SCOPE OF EUROPEAN PROBLEMS SO AS TO ASSURE  
A WELL BALANCED, FORWARD MOVEMENT OF EUROPEAN  
UNIFICATION.

4. THE GERMANS ARE ALSO SOMEWHAT SKEPTICAL ABOUT  
RESTRICTING THESE MEETINGS ONLY TO HEADS OF STATE OR  
GOVERNMENT. BONN IS CONCERNED THAT SUCH AN INSTITU-  
TIONALIZED DECISION MAKING ORGAN AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL  
COULD BE SEPARATE FROM THE POLITICAL COOPERATION  
COORDINATED BY FOREIGN MINISTERS AND FOREIGN MINISTRIES  
AS WELL AS FROM THE EC COMMISSION SET UP IN BRUSSELS.

5. OUR SOURCE EMPHASIZED SOME INTEREST IN JOERGENSEN'S  
IDEA OF LIMITING THE AGENDA OF DEC 15-16 SUMMIT TO AN  
EXAMINATION OF POMPIDOU'S PROPOSALS RATHER THAN TO A  
THOROUGH GOING CONSIDERATION OF SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES.  
BUT OUR SOURCE SAID IT IS NOT YET DECIDED HERE WHETHER  
THE PROBLEM AREAS DISCUSSED ABOVE MUST BE RESOLVED  
BEFORE THE FRG WOULD AGREE TO CONVENING THE DEC SUMMIT.  
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